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The United States is the most free country in the world. We can build a better mouse trap, market it, and make lots of money in the process. In the case of Microsoft it did just that; it made better, easier to use computer software, and sold it at a fair price. If Microsoft is made to share its secrets, the public ends up with software that is harder to use and more expensive. This will only hurt the consumer, business and private. The message you are sending to everyone is "yes, go ahead. Invent something new and improved. Market it and make lots of money - BUT do not get too big, do not make too much money, or the government will force you to go out of business or share your secrets and pay fines. This sounds like a two-year old saying "I want your toy and I want it now and you have to give it to me because I said so." Jealousy? It seems when something works great, is cheap, and the public benefits, the government steps in and forces the issue to break it up. Who loses? I do, along with the rest of the public.

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